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August Milk Production

Dairy herds in Michigan produced 948 million pounds of milk during August, down 0.6 percent from a year ago, according to Marlo Johnson, Regional Director of USDA, NASS, Great Lakes Regional Office. The daily rate per cow was 72.3 pounds, up 0.4 pounds from August 2017. The dairy herd was estimated at 423,000 head for August, down 5,000 head from a year earlier.

Milk production in the 23 major States during August totaled 17.2 billion pounds, up 1.4 percent from August 2017. The daily production per cow in the 23 major States averaged 63.7 pounds for August, 0.9 pounds above August 2017. The number of milk cows on farms in the 23 major States was 8.74 million head, 3,000 head less than August 2017, but 4,000 head more than July 2018.

Milk production, August

Commodity	Michigan			23 Major States		
	2016	2017	2018	2016	2017	2018
Cows1,000 Hd	422	428	423	8,667	8,741	8,738
Daily rate per cowPounds	70.3	71.9	72.3	62.0	62.8	63.7
ProductionMil lbs	920	954	948	16,659	17,014	17,245